

DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF *CLATHURELLA*, PROBABLY
FROM CEYLON.

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THE shells which form the subject of the present paper were recently found by me among a number of others from the collection of the late Hugh Nevill, and are in all probability from Ceylon. I have been unable to identify them with any known form, and as there are several specimens all showing the same characters I now venture to describe the species.

CLATHURELLA BIRTSI, n.sp.

Shell elongate, fusiform, white, painted with rows of reddish-brown spots; remaining whorls spirally sculptured with coarse ribs, increasing from three on the upper whorls to six on the body-whorl, which are intersected by transverse grooves, giving the shell a beaded



appearance; suture impressed; aperture narrow; columella descending obliquely; peristome bent inwards and serrated by the termination of the spiral ribs.

Length 6, diam. maj. 2.25 mm. ; aperture, length 1.75, diam. .25 mm.

Hab.—Ceylon?